

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4
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How We May Know We Have Eternal Life

That Whosoever Believeth In Him Should not Perish, But Have Eternal Life

RICHWOOD, W. Va.—If there is anything on earth we should be sure of, it is our standing with God. People are very particular about being sure of every matter in this life, but when it comes to being certain whether or not they have eternal life, millions and millions are very careless.

They seem to think because they had a little experience with God a month or a year ago, that it will do to depend on to take them through the pearly gates to live with God throughout endless eternity. Many think because they repented of a few things, left them off, and joined some, so-called church, have their names on its record; are subject to its rules and do some few charitable deeds are doing all God would have them do, and are on their way to heaven. But in the first epistle of John, we find a number of ways that we may know whether or not we have eternal life, and not be guessing about it or be in suspense about this all important matter.

We are not going to try to mention everything that the Word says but will call your attention to enough that will be sufficient for you to test yourself by, if you are not sure whether or not you have a Bible experience of salvation. Now remember, dear readers, that the Apostle John says, that by the inspiration of the Holy Ghost he has written this that we may know that we have eternal life. So we see that it is very necessary that we be sure about this matter. God wants us to know of a certainty about this thing. "Hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments." Not just a part of them but all of them. How is it with you on this test?

Are you keeping all of His commandments or are you just keeping those that don't interfere with your wishes and desires? James 2:10, reads like this, "and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." Jesus died that you might keep them all.

His death would be useless if we could not keep them, so then let's strive to do His will, and be able to know just what He would have us do in order that we might keep all His commandments. For this is the love of God that we keep His commandments and His commandments are not grievous. Praise the Lord, we know that to be a fact. Not one of them are grievous to those who have eternal life abiding in their souls, but everyone of them is sweet to the true child of God, and another way we can tell whether or not we have eternal life is found in 1 John 2:9. He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother is in darkness even until now. It doesn't make any difference how long you have been professing religion or how long you have had your name on some church record or how many good deeds you have done in your life, if you get angry and have bitterness in your heart toward those that speak evil of you or those who do you a wrong, you are still unsaved though you might have thought for sometime that you were saved.

Bless God, when we get this Bible salvation we don't get angry and have bitterness in our heart against those that do us wrong or speak evil of us. We

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"IF"

IF you are a real volunteer for Jesus, there is a proposition elsewhere in this paper that will interest you. Don't fail to look it up and read it. NOW! Be a real volunteer.

Do something for the Evangel and its cause. Everyone can help to make it the greatest religious paper in the world.

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Revival Success Wimauma, Fla.

Church is Revived—11 Baptized in Water, 7 Come Into Church

WIMAUMA, Fla.—We have just closed a wonderful revival here. Some were discouraged and did not want to undertake a meeting and the devil tried to make the saints think that there was no use of trying to have a revival. There had been so much holiness preached here until it seemed like the people had gotten case hardened to the gospel of the cross. We are glad though that the Holy Ghost was with us, in us and for us.

Faith in God and unity with everyone will cause the waters of hindrance to roll away and the walls of opposition to crumble down and cause great victory for God and His church. Surely, God will not let one of His promises go unkept. He is not slow concerning His promises. The prayers and fastings, the tears and burdens had come up before God as a memorial and He remembered and answered prayer.

The revival was announced to run two weeks, but at the end of the two weeks we discovered the fact that God could work and no one could hinder. The revival continued for four weeks. It was the power and simplicity of the gospel that worked upon the hearts of men and women and caused them to fall at the altar and weep their way through to God. We lost account of the number that received the Holy Ghost. 11 were baptized in water and 7 came into the church with others to come later.

The church in general was wonderfully revived. Brother B. L. Hicks did most of the preaching and truly God gave him a special anointing for the occasion. So many were heard to remark that they had never before heard the gospel preached with as much love, power and simplicity. Truly, this was a meeting that was run by the Holy Ghost. Brother Hicks is loved by everyone that knows him, a man that is humble and full of love, truly a man after God's own heart. We wish to state right here to the people of Louisiana, "Hands off." Brother Hicks by all means must come back to Florida.

Brother and Sister Ed. Simmons and Brother and Sister W. R. Haddock were with us some and did some wonderful preaching, also Brother Johnson of Tampa. We are on the upward move, looking for greater things from the Lord. Great revivals are sweeping Florida as never before. Surely, the coming of the Lord will not be

Uncertainty of Life Certainty of Death

"And as It is Appointed unto Men Once to Die, But After This the Judgment"

Jno. C. Jernigan

TEXT—James, 4:14. "For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." The two great undisputed truths that are set forth in our theme is confirmed in the text. The first thought which is the uncertainty of life is contained in the answer of the question, what is your life? It is even a vapour that appeareth for a little time. And as life is to appear for only a little time and no set time or warning as to its disappearance, it is very uncertain as to when it will vanish away.

The second thought which is the surety of death, is made true in the last phrase of our text, where it is mentioned, "Then vanisheth away." We understand that when anything is vanished away it is gone, and when life has vanished away we speak of it as death. I feel sure that no one can offer any denial to the truths that are contained in this theme and text.

Therefore, we will take up two thoughts, and deal with them separately, first the uncertainty of life and second the surety of death.

In the estimation of the world and the courts of our country, life is the highest valued thing in existence of this day.

Most any man will gladly see all of his property taken and thrown out on this cold hearted world without a dollar or a friend; or go behind the prison bars for the balance of his life and do the very hardest labor, before he would give up his life. But, after all the love man may have for his life, and the good care he may take of it, it is but a vapour, and subject to vanishing away from the hot sun of time most any minute. I am going to give the devil honor for telling one truth, when he said to the Lord in reference to Job, "All that a man hath will he give for his life," and some of these times though against his will at the summons of God, he will have to give his life as all the generations of the past have done.

Doubtless when James made this comparison of life that is set forth in this text, his mind reflected upon the time when many of his friends, loved ones, and relatives were clear to his earthly vision, but now had vanished away, and he knew nothing else to illustrate it better than the vapour that would arise from the brooks and creeks of Judea when the sun was up, vanished away and no one hardly knew when or where it went. For what is your life? It is truly something that is vanishing and soon to disappear, as David has said, "One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts." In David's day, many generations had come and gone and declared the mighty acts of God and had passed on to their longed for home.

We are now in the world which we might term as a dressing room to prepare for the great journey across the chilly waters of death that we are soon to take, to give room for the rising generation which is soon to appear. "But where will I appear?" should be one of the

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delayed much longer. "Thy Kingdom Come."—J. M. Sheffield.

Heart Full of Love For Orphans

"I Will Not Leave You Comfortless (Orphans) I Will Come To You"

MARION, Va.—We are still standing on the sunny side of life, here at Marion. Sisters Hagewood and Hilsabeck visited this place before going to the Assembly, and we found that their hearts are full of love for the little orphans, and for lost souls too.

They came to our little church here with charity that fell like dew drops from heaven, which fell on lost souls in the stillness of night, and helped us to look beyond the skies for our approval and rewards. Such love that flowed from these good hearts was refreshing and reviving. Such charity as was shown never harrows up, but strives to calm the troubled soul, and is another name for disinterested love in the human sympathetic feeling, that which seeks the good of others. We were so glad to have them with us for a six days' meeting.

Our pastor, Bro. C. W. Stewart came from Pulaski and conducted the meeting while Sister Hagewood did the preaching.

The Lord wonderfully saved one young man.—Mrs. Mamie Skelton.

CHURCHES OF GOD IN WEST VIRGINIA

Ministers and Laymen,

As we have passed into another church year, and many changes have been made in state overseers, it has fallen my lot to leave you. It is not that I do not love you, but I believe that a new man will be able to do more for you than I could another year.

I certainly appreciate the way you have stood by me both financially and with your prayers. Our fellowship together has been sweet, and our co-operation almost perfect. The three years that I have labored with you have been the best of my life and will always be looked upon with a great degree of satisfaction.

But now you have a new overseer, who comes to you from Texas. He is a good man and has proven himself an able overseer. I am sure that he will do his very best for the state this year, and that all the churches will prosper if you will co-operate with him.

Hold his hands up by showing your appreciation of him. Let him know that you love him as an overseer, and when I hear that you are doing this, I will take it as a token of your remembrance of my labor among you. May the Lord bless thee and keep thee and cause His face to shine upon thee.—E. L. Simmons, Ex-overseer.

HELD MEETING IN GROVE

JAMESTOWN, N. C.—I want to report a good meeting held at this place. The church would not hold the people so we moved out into the grove. People came from a distance of thirty miles to each service. From here we went to Armour, N. C., and held a meeting. Two were saved and one sanctified. The people at this place want a church, one man said he would furnish the land and timber to build one and others promised their help.

Pray that we may do God's will.—O. B. Griffith and wife.

Ship of Zion On Homeward Journey

COLUMBIA, S. C.—We are still on the ship of Zion, encouraged to press forward. Though I have many oppositions, I feel they are for my good. I am still standing for the church and on the old ship of Zion, she is on her homeward journey in spite of all the opposing power of the enemy. "Praise the Lord."

Let us watch and pray for I feel that Jesus is coming soon, and I want to walk the streets of gold and sing, "Home Sweet Home."

We have recently closed a revival at Columbia, S. C. conducted by the pastor, Bro. S. W. Cooper, but the preaching was done altogether by Sister Goude of Quitman, Ga. Four were saved, one sanctified and one filled with the Holy Ghost, and three followed the Lord in water baptism.—S. D. Cooper, Columbia, S. C.

Measuring Up to God's Word

Jesus Will Not Abide Unless the Blood Has Covered Our Sins

PELHAM, Ga.—I am praising God this afternoon for a full and complete salvation with victory over Satan and sin. Glory to God. I thank God for being saved by grace, sanctified through His atoning blood, and filled with a real talking and walking Holy Ghost with Bible evidence of speaking in tongues. Praise the good Lord! I thank God for being added to the great Church of God, the real Bible Church. I love her government and rulings. Glory to God! I am glad to be a brother to Jesus. Listen what He said, "For whosoever shall do the will of my father, which is in heaven the same is my brother, and sister, and mother." Matt. 12:50. I am measuring my life up to God's Word, and doing His will; I have a determination to see the end of a Christian life, and I know Jesus and Him crucified. He is my elder brother, and I know about it. Thank God He made a way for me to know that I was saved. I would not have a religion I did not know about. If I didn't know that I was saved, I would not stop until I really knew about it. Listen, if we do God's will, we are a brother to Jesus Christ. If we are His brother, we must be saved, and we will be sure to know when Jesus comes into our lives.

I am really praising God today for a new place to worship. We have been put out of the synagogue and separated from them. Glory to Jesus! God fixed us a new place to assemble.—Notice Luke 6:22-23. Surely we are happy. Praise the good Lord! Listen what the blessed Son of God said, "Bless them that curse you and pray for them which despitefully use you." Luke 6:28. If we have passed from death unto life, we can fill this command, Bless His great name!

We have some true blues at Spencer and looking forward for more of God's love and power. Our revival is near at hand and we are looking for great things from God. We have been holding a 9 o'clock prayer meeting and we are expecting a great work to be done. "If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it." John 14:14. Glory to Jesus. How I love Him, He is my brother. I desire the prayers of all the saints. I am yours for Christ.—Thomas Godwin.

East Chattanooga Church Prospering

28 Come Into Church—Most Wicked People Make Peace With Their God

We have just closed another big meeting at East Chattanooga.

Bro. D. R. Moreland of Kenmore, Ohio, was with us and did the preaching. It was wonderful to listen while he preached under the mighty power of God. Many who did not seem to be interested in the Lord expressed their desire to be saved before the meeting was over. God began to work right in the beginning of the meeting.

People were so struck with conviction that they would send for us to go to their homes and pray with them. Some could not work, and came home to seek the Lord, others could not sleep at night and we were called out at the midnight hour to pray for them. Many wept their way through to victory. One man, who had been seeking the Lord, one night confessed, "I can't get anywhere until I go up on that mountain and tear up that still."

Another who had been a bootlegger found the Lord, and still another came up after the service and asked for prayer and while praying he threw his revolver on the platform and confessed to killing a boy.

There were about twenty-five saved and some reclaimed, not less than twelve got through to the Holy Ghost. Thirty were baptized in water. We never will be able to tell the good that was done and was very sorry that we were compelled to close the meeting when we did. If you want a real preacher and one who can have influence over the people, send for him. He knows just how to deal with every class of people, having had more than twenty-five years experience in this kind of work. We are expecting the Lord to do still greater things in East Chattanooga this year.—Zeno Tharp, pastor.

ALTAR CROWDED WITH SEEKERS

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.—This evening finds me still saved, sanctified and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost and getting ready to meet Jesus when He comes. I have just arrived home from a three weeks' meeting at Fort Pierce, held by Bro. Marsaille, Bro. Geo. Wallace and Sister Clara Jackson. One received the Holy Ghost, while the altar was crowded with seekers.

I attended the convention at Sanford, convening Sept. 13-21. The shouts and praises that went forth made me think of heaven. Pray for us, we are determined to bring down Jericho's wall.—Sister H. J. Forbes.

Salvation Army Preacher Won

CIRCLEVILLE, Ohio.—Bro. Moss, Sister Wagner and myself started a meeting Oct. 19, and continued for eight days. There was no attendance much but God's power was manifested in a wonderful way. Three were reclaimed, one saved and sanctified, one received the Holy Ghost and one added to the church.

Among this number was a Salvation Army preacher which we won. On the last night we closed with the Lord's supper and feet washing which was a wonderful time.—Ebba Wagner.

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We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield.

If nothing else a postal card telling where you are this week.

Help to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

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Attention is especially called to our Christmas post cards, which are now on sale in our book room. Please let us know what your requirements will be along this line at an early date and avoid the rush.

The Orphanage work is progressing very satisfactorily, but the hour is come that we should be able to arrive at an estimate of how many children we will be able to support and how many more we will be able to admit that are virtually now knocking at our door. Can we be silent and listen to the cry of the needy and fail to extend a welcoming hand to the fatherless, motherless and homeless children of our land?

Had you stopped to think that if everyone of our subscribers would take up the liberal proposition of obtaining three subscriptions for the Evangel under the special rate, three yearly subscriptions at \$1.00 each, how it would increase the circulation of the Evangel, and thereby carry the gospel to thousands of homes that have never been reached? Will you do your bit?

It was very strongly advocated in the recent General Assembly of the Churches of God for a state camp meeting in every state where the church is now established, other conventions to be held in other places where the church is not. Every saint would do well to take this matter to the Lord in earnest prayer and give your hearty cooperation to your pastor and overseer and others designated to assist in this work, in order that a great number may be established this year, and thousands of souls gathered in. At this state camp meeting the state convention could be held, the work of the state in general looked after, and would be the means of edifying the saints, strengthening the churches, reaching thousands that we now do not reach. Let us go forward with this great work and make a determined effort to establish a state camp meeting for each state as above mentioned.

TITHE SYSTEM

We have received a number of inquiries with reference to provision of the Tithe System now in effect, therefore, we feel it our duty to advise our members and friends of the provision of the System, in order that they go forward and discharge their duty along this line without being embarrassed with any uncertainty or questions. Since the Tithe System reverted back to a former system, July 15, 1922 pending the decision of the following Assembly, which decided to let it remain according to the system reverted to and which remains in effect at this time. For a full explanation of the System reverted to I herewith quote a paragraph of an article explaining the provisions of the Tithing System that appeared in the Evangel under date of June 5, 1920, which is an explanation of the Tithe System that existed prior to the time that all of the tithes were sent to Headquarters and disbursed from

BIBLE Training School

T. S. PAYNE, Superintendent

CLEVELAND, Tenn. It has been about two years since I wrote to you through the Evangel but since I have something extra to tell, I am glad of the opportunity to write again. I have prayed for five years that I might have the chance of attending the Bible School and the Lord has answered my prayers. I am now in school and think it wonderful.

I have thought for years, that the Church of God is the best place for God's true people to dwell in all the world and I want to say that the Church of God has a Bible school in Cleveland, Tenn. that is worth talking about and recommending to everyone. It is wonderful how the Lord is blessing this school. At times it seems like the angels just hover down over us while studying and we just have to stop and rejoice. Bro. T. S. Payne is our teacher and we thank the Lord for him. I want to say just here, if you want to work in the vineyard of the Lord here is a good place to prepare yourself.

I am the only student from S. C. but when I return home and tell my friends about this, I believe there will be more than one next year. You just don't know what you are missing. We find in 2 Tim. 2:15 where Paul says, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Then we read in Prov. 15:28 where the wise man said, "The heart of the righteous studieth to answer; but the mouth of the wicked poureth out evil things." The world is getting so wicked we sure do need to know what we are talking about when we get out on the battlefield to face this world. I hope these few lines will encourage you to prepare to attend the next term.—Harry Whittington.

CLEVELAND, Tenn.—"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Tim. 2:15.

Dear ones, every one of us that intends to do something in the vineyard of the Lord should awake to our sense of duty and put on the helmet of salvation so that the enemy cannot defeat us, no matter how near he might get sometimes, but be able to cut him on both sides with the sword which is the Word of God. Friends this Bible School is one of the greatest works the Church of God has ever undertaken to control.

It is unsurpassable, especially for young people. I will say here that I am a young boy and this is my first privilege to attend this great school but by the help of God it will not be my

here. All of our ministers should carefully observe the provisions and act and advise accordingly.

"Call attention to the acts of the Assembly concerning the tithes. It was decided that a tithe of all the tithes paid into all the local church treasuries should be sent to Headquarters. The ministers on the field that receive freewill offerings are to tithe their freewill offerings they receive and send to Headquarters. That is all, unless somebody just wants to send some money to Headquarters just because they want to, but not because they are required to do so. Besides this there are no other tithes sent to Headquarters unless some church sends some to forward on to some minister because we know his address and they do not."

Wonderful opportunities are developing along the Home Mission line and officials at Headquarters are giving the matter careful attention and as we further consider the wonderful possibilities of the church, the opportunities that are knocking at our door, we are becoming very much enthused along this line. All of our churches, ministers, members and friends should give this careful and prayerful consideration and a very liberal support, in order that we may go

last one. The outlook now shows that this term will be much greater than any in the past.

I didn't know several months ago when my heart began longing so to attend this school that it could prove to be such a great and glorious thing. We have three sessions; from 8:30 A. M. to 12:00 M., and from 1:00 P. M. to 3:30 P. M., and then a study period at night. We have prayer several times during the day, both in the school room and at the dormitory, and God sure does bless us. I would be glad if each and everyone of you could just feel the heavenly atmosphere that hovers down over us in this school room. God is surely honoring us in this work.

There are about twelve students from Florida, and a good many from other states. The best field in the world is in Florida, because we have people there from every state in the union. "Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal; that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." John 4:35, 36.

Beloved, if your eyes are closed to your acts of duty and you can't see this white harvest field that needs to be reaped, I am sure God will not push you into it.

Let's go forth to harvest and gather fruit unto life eternal. Pray for us that we may continue to be successful in this school.—LaVoy Newton, a student.

I am praising God for the privilege of being in Bible school again, as we were traveling this summer holding revivals one after another, we would become tired as we would work hard and lose sleep, our voices almost fail, and one would make the remark, "I will be glad when we get back to school again where we can rest."

We were in services from the first of February until the first of October every night with the exception of five, so we are glad to return to school again. We wish to thank the people of the state of Florida for their contributions that were given us to help us through the school, also want to express our appreciation to our state overseer for his faithfulness in helping us. On account of sickness and so much expense we are not able to go through the three months term but we are trusting in the Lord to help us on through.

We desire your prayers.
H. L. CHESSER,
P. W. CHESSER,
Students.

forward with the great work to which God has called us to do. To the spread of the gospel, the establishment of His Church, the care for the needy, the helpless, the homeless of our land and carry sunshine and blessings into the thousands of homes that are darkened by misfortune and bereavement. Will you take this matter to the Lord in earnest prayer, in order that sufficient means may be supplied to carry forward this great work?

The local Bible Training School is now in progress, the prospects are fine, the students seem to be well contented and delighted with the happy privilege of attending the Bible Training School, in order that they may be better prepared for the noble work to which God has called them to do. The saints everywhere would do well to pray for this worthy department of the church work, also for some of the students who are struggling to go through the school without even sufficient means at hand to meet their expenses. We are glad to note that the Lord has put it on the hearts of some in the past who have concluded that their life's work is almost over and will soon lay their armour down, so in order that their work may be perpetuated they have decided on the plan of furnishing the

NOTICES

Bro. Joseph Hydanus came to Dayton, Tenn., Oct. 4, and held a revival.

Seventeen were saved, four sanctified, two received the Holy Ghost and five were added to the church.

Bro. Hydanus has come into the Church of God and any church or state will be blessed by his service.—Curtis Dunn, pastor.

To the Church of God Readers, and All Whom it May Concern:

In the Church of God Evangel published Aug. 16, appears a notice warning the people against G. L. Jackson's ministry. I had recommended him through the Evangel, but since recommending him he has been withdrawn from, upon request and disorderly conduct. We trust he will get right and return to the fold.—H. L. Gillett.

To every minister, deacon and member of the Church of God in the state of Okla.

I want to get in touch with everyone and find out your need, so be sure to write me at once. I will come to the state just as soon as it is made possible for me to get there. We want to work together for the upbuilding of God's cause, so let's do our very best for God this year.

Humbly your servant,—A. L. Jenkins, overseer of Okla. Mt. Vernon, Texas, Route 3.

To the Churches of God and Ministers in the State of Florida:

Having been appointed state overseer of Florida, I would like to hear from all the churches in the state. We will endeavor to serve the churches to the best of our ability. Let us all work together and expect great things at the hand of our God this year.

My address will be Wimauma, Fla., until further notice.—J. A. SELF, Overseer.

To the Churches of God and ministers in W. Va.

I would like to hear from all the ministers who are expecting to work in W. Va. this year who have not been assigned, so we can help you.

We expect to be located in the state soon, and aim to visit each church as soon as possible. We want to do our best to supply all the churches with pastors and assist in every other way possible to make the work of the Lord a success.

So let us all work together and be faithful unto death and we shall have a crown of life.

Let us be prompt in filling every appointment we make and in making our reports as well.

I am sure we all love the church and have her interests at heart, so let us all prove our faith by our works and hear the Lord say, "Well done thou good and faithful servant! Anyone wishing to write me can address me at McDonald, Tenn. Route 1.

I will give my permanent address in the Evangel later.—H. N. Scoggins, overseer.

Church Come Forth as Gold

AGES, Ky.—This is another beautiful Sabbath that finds me still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, and I belong to the Church of God at Carbon Hill, Ala., although I am now living in Ages, Ky., but I still love the Church at that place, and pray for it that it may be pure and spotless. Well the sunlight of heaven is flooding my soul, and the joy bells are ringing; praise the Lord! He is so good to me, with good health and with food and raiment.

When the Lord blesses the most that is the time when it looks like we get more careless and fall to give God the praise, but when we get in need of food or get sick, or hurt, then we begin to pray and draw close to the Lord. We should pray without ceasing and in everything give thanks. Well these are perilous times. Some folks are lovers of their own selves more than lovers of God. The Devil is doing his best to tear down

means for one or more students who expects to spend their life in the ministry. In order that their works may follow. It would be fine if many others would decide the same and make provision for one or more to go through the Bible Training School.

God's Blessings Are Upon His Own

WEST UNION, S. C.—I have just been reading the dear Evangel, and Oh! how it makes me rejoice to read its dear pages.

The Nineteenth Annual Assembly makes me think of the final Assembly, where we, one and all, can meet our loved ones, and best of all we will see Jesus. Oh! the sweet peace, love and unity that will prevail as we feast together at our heavenly Father's table with His banner of love floating over us. Bless His name. Pray for me that I may get more humble and be submissive to do His will and do what He wants me to do.—Mrs. Emma Henson.

Open Fire On Devil—Wonderful Victory

SESSER, Ill.—We are glad to report victory through the blood. On Oct. 6, we opened fire against the devil and his host and glad to say God gave victory. Bro. I. H. Marks of West Frankfort, Ill. was in charge of the meeting.

God wonderfully blessed the speaker and also made him a blessing.

On Oct. 9, two were saved, two sanctified, six received the Holy Ghost, ten followed the Lord in water baptism, four came into the church. We also observed the Lord's supper and washed the saints feet.—Nora Dame.

Word Went Forth With Great Power

DEERFIELD, Fla.—We have had a wonderful meeting at this place.

The presence of the Lord was with us each time we met. The Word went forth with great power and swept forcibly into the hearts of twenty-two. We have good workers here, and the church is moving on. Pray for us.—Joseph Johnson.

GREAT POWER MANIFESTED

JUPITER, Fla.—A ten days meeting was held at Jupiter, Fla. by Bro. G. C. Sapp of Sanford.

The Holy Ghost gave out the Word through Bro. Sapp at every meeting. Two were reclaimed, three sanctified, and one received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. There was great power manifested in these services, greater than I ever witnessed before. This is my first year in the church so pray for me.—L. L. Hagg.

TESTIMONY

ODUM, Ga.—I want to praise the Lord this beautiful afternoon because I too, belong to the persecuted family in Christ Jesus our Lord. I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance as in Acts 2:4. I am a member of the dear old Church of God at Pine Grove, Ga., and we have some wonderful meetings. The dear Lord is present every time and His power is wonderfully demonstrated. We have a good Sunday School and prayer meeting. Our pastor is Brother Livingston. I live so far from the church I do not get to go to prayer meetings at the church, but we have prayer meeting near my own home on Thursday afternoon.

I received the Holy Ghost on the 17th of September 1921. My husband is unsaved and greatly opposes this way; and I have great trials and tests. I ask all who read this to please pray for him that he will be saved before it is too late, also pray for me that I may stay humble at the feet of Jesus. I am trusting Him with soul and body and I mean to go on until my race in this life is run by the help of my dear Lord. Oh, He is so good to me. I can't thank Him enough. Praise His great name!—Mrs. Delma Trull.

the Church of God, but thank God, Jesus said that the gates of hell shall not prevail against her. So you need not fear, the Church will stand and come forth as pure gold.

I want the saints everywhere to pray for me that I will ever do what the Lord will have me to do, and be ready when He comes or calls for me. I need your prayers.—Artlar Hyde.

Revival Great Success—Lord's Supper Observed.

DALTON, Ga.—Bro. J. T. Thompson reports that on the first Saturday night in Sept. they started a meeting at Dalton and they just let the Holy Ghost have His way, resulting with the number of eight being sanctified, seven received the Holy Ghost and seven followed the Lord in water baptism, and were added to the Church of God. The last night of the meeting we observed the Lord's supper and washed the saints' feet. The people said, "We have never seen anything like it."

Twenty Were Saved—12 Baptized in Water

MILTON, Fla.—A five weeks' revival just closed at Milton, where about twenty were saved, sanctified and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost; also twelve baptized in water and a good place for a church to be set in order. We expect to begin a meeting at Pensacola, Fla. soon, and invite any true blue Church of God preacher to come and help, as there is no Church of God in several miles of that place. I was raised a Catholic, and God is sending me to my home town, so pray for me.—Josephine Walker.

I MUST OBEY

CONNERVILLE, Okla.—I am still praising God this morning for what He is to me. I praise Him because He saw fit to pick me up out of sin, and two years ago He added me to the dear old Church of God, whose teachings I dearly love and mean to stay in this way, by His help and grace, until He comes or calls for me. Beloved, it means something to start out to do the will of God. Praise His precious name! Nearly two years ago He called me to preach, but I felt like Moses, and Moses said unto the Lord, "O, my Lord I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant; but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue." Ex. 4:10, and felt that I could not get up before a crowd of people for I knew not what to say. I was as Jeremiah, "Then said I, Ah, Lord God! behold, I cannot speak: for I am a child." Jer. 1:6. But His will is the best. Praise His name forever. I could not say, Yes Lord, until a while back when He showed me where I was going. I paid my tithes, made my offerings and tried every way I knew to live for Him. I began to get cold and I could not stand for Him to withdraw from me. I went before Him with prayer and promise. He gave me a vision of where I was going, if I did not obey. Now I mean to do my best.

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Suffering Will Test Our Faith

"If Ye Shall Ask Anything in My Name, I Will Do It"

LAKE LAND, Fla.—I want to sound a note of praise to Jesus this morning for His healing power. I have been trusting Him for the healing of my body for four years; and praise His holy name, I have grown in grace and knowledge and my faith has been made stronger. I have been drawn closer to the Lord until I can now, by faith see the victory ahead—Glory to Jesus!

I have suffered a great deal in my head, shoulders and neck for the past two weeks, but praise God, I am almost free of pain this morning. Dear ones, if we are not healed at once, as perhaps some of us would like to be; let us not become discouraged, but hold on to God, believing that His promises are true, and that He is the same yesterday today and forever, and that by His stripes we are healed. The taking of Jericho was not in a day.

We received our healing by faith on this promise. We reckon it is done through faith in the finished work of Jesus. After we have prayed for two or three days and there is still pain, then we must exercise faith by praising God for victory. Amen. Then the wall will fall and we can go marching in, claiming our reward, which is a joy in our soul, which the world can never give. Oh, if we could realize that the blessing of healing is for us if we will only grasp it doubting nothing. Letting our faith rest upon His faithfulness (until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.) (Gen. 28:15.)

Faith is our spiritual hand. Holiness or healing becomes ours like any material thing we hold in our hands; God has done the work; it is a spiritual work, whose fulfillment is not dependent on what we can see. God works in answer to our faith. Do you believe that God has given Jericho into your hands? You are not yet healed—and you say what can be the reason? Is it the will of God to heal me? God is as willing to heal today as He has ever been, but He delays in order that we may learn new lessons of faith. He demands that you believe and take what He has promised. He demands that for days and weeks you walk in darkness, while you look at what is not, as if it were. We are to look at His finished work and count the things done. Resting on His Word we praise Him for victory which has been won in our pain and weakness.

God is waiting till we take that last step of faith. He says we must believe when we do not see or feel. He says it is finished. He gives us the right to say, it is finished when we take the finished work for ourselves. When God says, by His stripes ye are healed, we need not hesitate to say some words. Shall we not follow on and let the measure of our faith be fulfilled. Why do so many find it impossible to break through and get full victory? We know so little the full meaning of victorious faith.

Our faith should be such that we trust the Word alone and not our feelings or what we can see. Faith needs no feelings to rest upon. The faithfulness of our God is enough. So we rest upon what His written Word declares, until victory comes. Faith is something opposite to our natural life, which expects everything from what one sees and feels. Therefore, Paul says that faith is the confident certainty of things man is expecting, and the strong conviction in that which is not seen. Such faith is able to conquer. Oh, may God give us such a faith to ask believing, with no doubt whatever. In our mind that our joy may be full. Amen, praise the Lord!—Mrs. S. J. Corley.

SAINTS STAND- ING FOURSQUARE

JOPLIN, Mo.—I am glad to report victory for the Church of God at Joplin, Mo. Brother John Burk, our state overseer, was with us from July 28—August 6. He sure did do some good preaching while with us. The saints here stand four-square for the Church of God and are in sweet fellowship and love. Hallelujah! The Lord said that He would withhold no good thing from them that walk uprightly. We have been praying to God to give us a new church house and the Lord answered our prayer. Brother Burk helped us roll away the stone and preached for us, a week in the new church, God certainly did set His approval upon us. We owe some on it, but God is helping us to make our payments. We are looking for great things from our Father and we know He will not forget us, hallelujah!

A Wonderful Saviour

WINFIELD, Ala.—I want to praise God for what He is to me. He has been a wonderful Saviour to me. He saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost, and I am not ashamed of it.

I thank Him for the wonderful meeting we had last week. The Lord wonderfully blessed us while there. Four received the Holy Ghost and four were reclaimed. God was still blessing the people when I left there. Praise His good name!

I want you all to pray for me that I will live true to the Lord and do His will. I am the only Church of God member that is at this place. Pray that God will send some to this place, and that there will be a church here. I will ask you to especially pray for my loved ones to be saved before it is too late. —Leckin Harris. R. 3, Winfield, Mo.

LORD HEALS MOTHER AND CHILD

CALHOUN, Ga.—I am glad that today finds me saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I praise the Lord for He is my healer too. The first opportunity I gave the Lord to heal me, was of a sprained ankle. I could not walk without fainting. I sent for a few of the saints to pray for me, and through faith, the Lord wonderfully removed the pain until I could walk and in a few hours I was well. Bless his name!

My little girl has been sick for several weeks and had lost her appetite, and as my husband does not see the light on trusting the Lord I had to give her medicine, but it did her no good. Last night, tho, I went before the Lord with her, and praise God, He truly healed her. She has been able to eat heartily today.

Pray for me that I may raise my little girls up for Jesus, and that I may always do His will.—Lucy Little.

Tennessee Let's Go

The Nineteenth Annual Assembly of the churches of God has come and gone, and it has been said that it was by far the greatest in the history of the church. Many new appointments were made, especially many state overseers, and the appointees have gone to their field of labor with greater zeal and enthusiasm than ever before. They are looking for this year's work to far surpass that of any year prior to this.

We have made rapid advancement in the state of Tennessee, but there is much more to do and greater opportunity to do it than ever before. Let us take advantage of all opportunities this year to forward the work.

I would like to hear from each church in Tennessee that has no pastor and I will do my best for you. I would also be glad to hear from every minister in the state who has not been assigned to a church.

While other states are getting their forces organized for a great onslaught against the enemy, we must not be behind. Tennessee must lead in advancement this coming year. Tennessee let's go.—E. L. Simmons, (Overseer of Tenn.)

JONAH AND THE WHALE

Now boys be still and listen to me,
And I'll tell you a story as true as can be;
It's better than the story of Daniel or Ruth,
And tho' it is fishy it's every bit the truth.

Just listen right good and I'll tell you the tale
How old Jonah the prophet got caught by a whale.
The whale caught poor Jonah and bless your dear soul,
It not only caught him, it swallowed him whole.

A part of this story is awfully sad,
It's about a big city that went to the bad;
When the Lord saw the people with such wicked ways,
He said, "I can't stand them but forty more days."

So He said to Jonah, "You go and cry
To that wicked city and tell them that I
Give them forty more days to get humbled down,
And if they don't do it I'll tear up the town."

When he heard the Lord speakin' ol' Jonah said "No."
"I'm a true hardshell Baptist and so I won't go.
Them Nineveh people are nothing to me,
And then I'm agin' foreign missions you see."

So he went down to Jopper and there in great haste
Boarded a ship for a different place.
The Lord looked down on that ship and says He,
Ol' Jonah is a fixin' to run off from me.

So he set the wind blowin' with squeaks and squeals,
The sea hit got rowdy and kicked up it's heels;
Ol' Jonah confessed it was caused by his sin,
So the crew threw him off and the whale took him in.

The whale said to Jonah "Ol' feller don't fret,
I'm sent down here to take you in out of the wet;
You're going to be punished right much for your sin,"
Then he opened his mouth and por Jonah went in.

'Twas the funniest sight boys you ever seen,
To see Jonah ride off in his new submarine;
Then sinners of Nineveh did not repent,
For the message of warnin' to them was missent.

On a bed of green seaweeds the whale tried to rest,
He said, "I'll sleep while my food I digest."
But he got mighty restless and sorely afraid
For he rumbled inside as the old prophet prayed.

So you see how God's letter to Nineveh lays
In the dead letter office for three nights and days.
The prophet was shut in as tight as a lock,
All things will be opened as sure as you knock.

On the third day the old fish riz from his bed
With his stomach tore up and a pain in his head;
And said, "I must get to the air mighty quick,
For that filthy old sinner is making me sick."

So he winked his big eye and wiggled his tail
And pulled out for the shore to deliver his male;
When he came to the shore he looked all around,
Then vomited Jonah clean out on the ground.

Ol' Jonah thanked God for His mercy and grace,
Then turned around to the whale and made a face
And said, "After three days and nights you have found,
That a good man old sucker you cannot keep down."

Then the prophet stretched forth with a yawn and a sigh,
And sat down in the sun for his clothing to dry;
And thought how much better his preaching would be,
Since from Whale Seminary he had had a degree.

Having rested himself and dried well in the sun,
He started for Nineveh almost in a run;
And said, "I must hurry and try not to sin,
For I'm sure I don't want to be swallowed again."

He arrived in that city about a week late,
And began preaching by the time he had entered the gate;
Till the whole population repented and prayed,
And the great hand of Justice and Vengeance was stayed.

When you disobey mamma boys remember the tale,
When you run off from home remember the whale;
There are varmints to get you on sea and on land,
And a boy can be swallowed lots easier than a man.

Sent in by Miss Onie Etta Liner, 2203 Muller Ave., East Chattanooga, Tenn.

THE PROMISE IS UNTO YOU

BARNESVILLE, Ga.—I am still praising God today for victory over sin and the devil. I praise Him because He saw fit to pick me up out of this highway of holiness. I want to praise the Lord for this saving power and for sanctifying me and filling me with the Holy Ghost and adding me to the dear old Church of God. I stand for the Church of God and for all her teachings and rules. Dear readers, we had better stand for the Church of God on account of the time now on us. I have been tried every way a man could be tried, but praise the Lord I am still standing for the dear old Church of God and I intend to stand for her until I die; because I know it is right.

I want to praise God because I found that I could be saved from sin, and I found in His Word where we could be sanctified. We find where He says that this is the will of the Father, even your sanctification. We find where Paul and Peter asked the people if they had received the Holy Ghost since they believed, and they said that they hadn't heard whether there be any Holy Ghost, and they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Ghost. We find in Acts 2:37-39 where it says that, "Now

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when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, men and brethren, what shall we do? Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as are the Lord our God shall call." Pray for me that I may stand true.—E. A. Hilton, 320 Atlanta St.

IN MEMORY OF

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

GRIFFITH

Mrs. J. S. Griffith, in her maidenhood, Miss Florence Nightingale Shaw, was born near Ross, Indiana Dec. 11, 1869. She was married to Mack Short of Ross, Ind. in Dec. 1887. To this union were born three children: Millie, Glen and Paul. All of whom are now living in Indiana.

She was married to J. S. Griffith of Surry county, N. C. Dec. 20, 1919. To this union there were born no children.

Jan. 2, 1920, just 13 days after this happy union Mrs. Griffith was stricken with paralysis, which had rendered her practically helpless ever afterward.

A second stroke of paralysis Oct. 8, which completely paralyzed her, was the direct cause of her death at 4:45 Oct. 13, 1924.

Sister Griffith was a consecrated Christian. She was converted and joined the Presbyterian church of Ross, Ind. when she was 16 years old. Last October she joined the Church of God or Holiness church. Her bereaved companion and stepchildren testify to her unflinching loyalty to her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Though an invalid, she did not put her light under a bushel, but shone with the beautiful love-light of heaven before all those who were privileged to come in contact with her. Her time was spent in these recent years mostly in reading her Bible, and in prayer and in reading her holiness paper. She was a consistent tither. And gave her offerings as large as she could afford to the mission work of her church. Her love for her church paper was such that she donated many subscriptions to people whom she wanted to see love her Lord as she herself did.

Many times she had testified to the redemption of her soul through the atoning blood of Jesus. And her last words were these, spoken in prayer, "Let me go." She was ready and anxious to go home to occupy the mansion prepared for her by the hands of her Saviour.

Earth is made poorer, but heaven richer. Her memory will be a benediction to a very dear, tender husband and loving stepchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

The funeral service was conducted by Mr. R. P. Merritt, and Mrs. Lote Bobson.—O. B. Griffith.

SIMPSON

Sister Sallie B. Simpson departed this life to be with Jesus September 1, 1924. She was a faithful member of the Church of God at East Chattanooga, Tenn. She was full of the Holy Ghost and fire, and her many friends will never forget her shining face and her glowing testimonies. Many times she would dance and shout under the mighty power of God. She will be greatly missed by her husband and children and also the church. We sorrow not as those that have no hope, for we are sure she was ready to go. She trusted God till the last, so we do not hesitate in saying, she was faithful unto death. We are sure she can now say:

I shine in the light of God,
His image stamps my brow;
Though the shadows of death my feet have trod,
I reign in glory now;
No breaking heart is here,
No keen and thrilling pain,
No wasted cheek where the frequent tear

Hath rolled and left its stain.
I have found the joy of heaven,
I am one of the angel band;
To my head a crown of gold is given,
And a harp is in my hand;
I have learned the songs they sing,
Whom Jesus hath set free,
And the glorious walls of heaven still ring
With my new-born melody.

No sins, no griefs, no pains,
Safe in my happy home.
My fears all fled my foes all slain,
My hour of triumph come;
O friends of mortal ears,
The trusted true!
You are walking still through the vale of tears,
But I wait to welcome you.

Do I forget? Ah, no!
For memory's golden chain
Still binds my heart to the hearts below
Till they meet and touch again;
Each link is strong and bright,
And love's electric flame
Flows freely down like a river of light,
To the world from which I came.

The funeral was conducted by the writer, and her body was laid to rest in the White Oak cemetery until the resurrection.—Zeno C. Tharp.

STEVENS

Catherine, daughter of John and Helen Stevens, was born February 14, 1923, and was called away from this life on September 2, 1924. "She came to raise our hearts to heaven, she goes to call us there." Funeral service was conducted by the writer.—Mrs. Rada Drummond.

FORBUS

On August 21, 1924 the death angel visited the home of Dave Forbus and claimed his wife Fannie Forbus, age 67 years. She leaves to mourn her loss, one brother, husband, one son and three daughters and many relatives and friends. She was a member of the Church of God at Imboden, Arkansas. Our loss is heaven's gain. She was saved and sanctified. We weep not as those who have no hope for we expect to meet her when this life is over.

Her funeral was conducted by Brother F. M. Montgomery and her remains were laid away in Dawson cemetery to await the resurrection morning. One that loved her. Her nephew—Jesse Danehower.

EVERETT

This is in memory of our dearly beloved sister, Mrs. Mary Everett of Moorehead, Miss. who died Sept. 13, 1924 at 6:30 A. M. after over a year of illness. She had that dreadful disease, cancer of the stomach; though she bore her suffering with patience and trusted God to the end. She had been a member of the Church of God for almost three years, having been saved and sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. She leaves to mourn her loss five boys and one girl besides a host of relatives and friends. She was laid to rest in the South Side cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

Dear Mother has gone and left us, Gone to that heavenly home,
But we hope to meet her some day
Around that great white throne.

Her little friend, Susie K. Towary,
R. 1 B. 2, Marks, Miss.

EDWARDS

The Lord called for our Brother Edwards on the 17th of September 1924.

He was 66 years old, saved sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost, a member of the Church of God, and ready to go. He had been living a clean holy life for the past two years. He bore his sickness patiently and seemed to be waiting for the Lord to call him.

He had been sick for quite a while, and at last he called his loved ones to his bedside and told them that he was going to see Jesus, and that he did not want anyone to grieve after him. A sweet smile came over his face, and he slept the sleep of the righteous "and was not for God took him."

The funeral service was conducted by the writer at the Church of God at Eldorado, Ill., and the remains were laid away in the cemetery near Ridgeway to await the sound of the trumpet of God.—W. A. Summers, Harrisburg, Ill.

SHARP

On August 22, 1924, the death angel visited the home of Mrs. Sharp and claimed her husband, Hoshiah Sharp, born March 19, 1875 died August 22, 1924. Brother Sharp was a devoted father and husband. He leaves to mourn his loss, a wife, four children, three brothers and four sisters. Bro. Sharp was a loyal member of the Church of God. The church certainly will miss him, but our loss is heaven's gain and we will not weep as those that have no hope.

The funeral was conducted by the writer and his body was laid away in the family cemetery to await the resurrection morn. His pastor,—William H. Black.

MORRIS

On September 11, 1924 God saw fit to call our dear Brother Morris to the great beyond. He has been a faithful worker for the Church of God in Bradford for several years. He trusted God to the end without a murmur. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife and nine children. May God's richest blessings hover around them and may they live in such a way as to meet him again. The funeral service was conducted by Brother Z. R. Thomas.

Sleep on dear Brother, Jesus is calling us one by one.
Won't there be shouting when we meet around the throne?
—L. V. Hall and wife.

BARNETT

Miss Clara Barnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Barnett was born in Gallia Co. Ohio March 16, 1888, died Sept. 4, 1924. Age 35 years, 5 months, and 18 days. Her mother was an ardent christian, who committed her children to God with earnest prayer, which was answered in the later years of Clara's life. Although she was a church member from youth, she was awakened about three years ago to the fact that she had only a profession; at which time she earnestly sought God and was filled with the Holy Ghost. This wrought a wonderful change in her life. Having been afflicted with deafness for a number of years, she hoped at this time to be healed, but since the Lord did not see fit to heal she was resigned to His will, feeling assured that He was only preparing her for His heavenly Kingdom.

Even though afflicted, Clara was patient and enduring, and an inspiration to all who knew her. She leaves three brothers, and two sisters, besides other relatives and many friends.

The funeral was preached by the writer, and the body was laid to rest in a beautiful cemetery in Huntington W. Va. to await the resurrection. A special friend to the family.—E. L. Simmons.

NEWTON

Little Thurman Newton was born Sept. 1, died Sept. 23. While he was with us we learned to love him, but God knows best, so His will be done. He has gone to be with Jesus and to that home prepared for the pure. He leaves to mourn his loss, father mother, two brothers, one sister and many relatives and friends.—I. H. Marks, West Frankfort, Ill.

JONES

The death angel visited the home of Brother W. P. Jones and took him home to rest. Brother Jones was 42 years, 10 months and 7 days old. He leaves to mourn his death a wife and five children.

He was added to the Church of God in 1920 and lived up to her teachings and trusted God for his healing, but God in His wisdom saw best to call him home. We weep not as those who have no hope for we know our loss is heaven's gain.

On Aug. 17 his body was laid away at Shields Cemetery, and the funeral service was conducted by Brother Jackson Allen.—B. F. Allen Select Ky.

Uncertainty of Life— Certainty of Death

"And as it is Appointed Unto
Men Once to Die, But A:ter
This the Judgment"

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most notable questions of our life, but is passed by with the slightest consideration, until man has come down near the time of his departure, then his mind becomes overcharged with the thoughts of the future, his life seems to be only a dream, and as he thinks of the troubles and heart-aches of the past he can truthfully say, with Job of old, "Man that is born of a woman is of few days, and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down: he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not." We see the little flowers as they put forth their beautiful blossoms in the spring and early summer which become very attractive and desirable to the eyes of man, but soon the gloom of autumn has come, the beauty begins to fade, the desire of the human eye ceases and the old stalks are cut down and moved from their place and soon forgotten. So it is with man, he cometh forth to life, becomes very notable and attractive in the days of action, perhaps has the glory and praise of men and his fame reaches around the world but soon the summer of his life has gone and the flower of his age has faded, and he is overtaken with his evil day, his honor and praise among men begins to cease, his life has soon vanished and where will his immortal soul appear? Truly life is one of the most uncertain things enjoyed by man to-day. "For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away." 1 Peter, 1:24.

I remember a few years ago while I was yet in my sins, being on a North-bound train, we were laid over at Evansville, Ind. on account of a washout between there and St. Louis, while waiting, one big fleshy red faced fellow, the very picture of health, walked up to the station and soon after his arrival as he was walking on the pavement the light of his life went out and he fell upon the pavement dead, the undertakers were called and the sad news went back to his home in Tenn. that father was dead. To my own personal knowledge, not only this man has gone out in the morning about the duties of life and in a moment of time, unexpected to anyone, his life was snatched away and his soul went out into the great beyond to dwell while the ceaseless ages of eternity roll on, but many others. Oh, how careful and certain we should be about the preparation for that great time when our life is going to vanish away, for it must be only a dim light flickering between time and eternity, and the faintest blow from the mouth of the Lord will put it out.

After considering the uncertainty of life in the face of nature, and the experiences of all the past generations it ought to be enough to arouse every man, woman and child to realize that their life is soon to end, and no more opportunities will be allowed for preparation for that dreadful hour. It is amazing to see how the highest educated and most thoughtful people of our enlightened country will pass the cross of Christ unheeding as if He had never died for the redemption of this sinful world.

The truths that are contained in the first section of our sermon will substantiate the surety of death for the vanishing away of life is death, and further truth to substantiate the fact that a dreadful and uncontrollable monster, death, will visit every one is, that, "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." And the thing that makes death so sure is, that this appointment is not made by man, but is made by Him who has made the heavens and earth and every living creature therein and is in possession of the keys of hell and death.

And when this monster comes there is no way to bar him out. All the pitiful talk and pleadings does not bring him in sympathy with the struggling soul, for he comes at the appointment of

God and all the excuses you may give he will not regard. He goes to the homes of the high and low, the rich and the poor and gives the summons to all alike.

He takes poor fathers and mothers from broken hearted children and leaves them alone in the world without money or home, and often without friends. He takes the rich from their wealth, the kings from their throne, the president from his chair, just like he takes the mountaineer from the sticks and the poorest class from the slums of the cities. There is nothing that will prevent him, for he was loosed in this sinful world about six thousand years ago and sent forth by God to devour the lives of men, and in all the history of the world we have never heard of but two escaping him.

He travels over the seas, mountains, plains and through the darkest of nights and brightest of days. Who knows but that he will knock at your door next and the one he will choose is unknown, for as we go to the cemeteries we find the graves of both young and old.

There is the grave of the infant, and many who were in the flower of life, have passed out so very young, but death had no pity or regard for the age.

I do not feel it necessary to produce further proof of the surety of death, for it is undisputable among all denominations and infidels, to-day.

Truly we are traveling as fast as the wheels of time can carry us on, and often I am made to wonder where will fifty more years carry us to.

Surely this generation that stands on the stage of action to-day will soon be gone to their longed for home, and the rising generation will be in our stead. Oh Lord, help the reader of this sermon to be honest with himself and God and ask himself this question, "What am I doing in the way of preparing to meet that lurking monster, Death, that I know I shall soon face."

Still in the Battle Against Sin

CEDAR COVE, Ala.—"Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ." Eph. 1:2-3.

I am not a subscriber of the Evangel at present, but by chance this morning I was reading one, and as I looked over its pages and saw the wonderful little messages which came from different places and how God is blessing and saving souls, it truly made my heart burn within me. I am truly filled with God's Spirit and love, and have a zeal to walk worthy of the vocation wherein I am called, with all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace.

There is one body and one spirit even as ye are called in one hope of your calling. Not being a member of the Evangel or the Church, or branch it represents, it has been some time since I have had a testimony in it, though having a personal acquaintance with many of the readers, would like to say to all of them that I am still in the battle against sin, going on with Jesus, having no other desire in heart. I request the prayers of the readers of the Evangel.—H. E. Watts.

THIRTEEN SAVED

CUMBERLAND GAP, Tenn.—I have just closed a meeting at Kennesaw, Ky. Thirteen were saved, and one sanctified.

The colored people helped, and I felt the power of the Lord in each testimony that went forth. Glory to God.—W. L. Lunsford.

Desires Holy Ghost

INVERNESS, Miss.—I am praising the Lord for His help. I have been praying for the Holy Ghost and I want you to pray for me that I may receive the blessing and do the Lord's will. I am a little girl, 11 years old. I am looking forward to go to a big meeting.—Lora Sanders.

How We May Know We Have Eternal Life

That Whosoever Believeth in Him Should Not Perish, But Have Eternal Life

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do not want revenge in word or act. Also another way whereby we may know that we have eternal life, we will not love the things of this world. Dear souls, are you really dead to the things of this world? If not the Word of God says the love of the Father is not in you. Do you commit sin? Perhaps you think because you don't commit some sin that would cause you to be looked down on, in the eyes of the world that you are all right. No matter how small the sin may look to you, God looks at all sins alike, and will just as gladly forgive one as another.

We want Bible evidence of salvation, and that only, will stand when we face the judgment.

Pray for me to stay low and humble at His feet.—F. L. Elefritz.

Two Churches Set in Order

ORLANDO, Fla.—We wish to praise the Lord for his loving kindness and tender mercies toward us. Our desire is that God's name be glorified. God made all things to glorify His kingdom and He made man that He might bestow His love upon him.

At the beginning of the year God permitted us to take up the work in the Orlando District and as pastor of the church at Orlando. We found a number of precious saints here. To begin with there was but one church in the district, but a good field to work in. Finally the Lord sent dear Brother Mann, and his daughter and son-in-law, Brother and Sister Corey, to labor in the fields. He preached for about three months in this district and set two churches in order. One of the churches at Zellwood and the other one three miles from Montverde.

We closed a meeting here in Orlando last Sunday night. The house was full and much interest was shown. Brother Mann preached faithfully to us and gained much influence. We had a little touch of good old camp meeting times. Sometimes the Lord would come down and bless us. We found thorns on the rose bush, but we almost forgot the thorns as we picked the beautiful flowers.

Brother Mann had to close the meeting on account of his health, but he left a tender place in the hearts of many, for him as well as his son-in-law and daughter. For all the good accomplished, we give God the glory.—Carl M. Padgett.

GOD'S POWER TO HEAL

WAUCHULA, Fla.—As I sit this morning meditating on the goodness of the Lord, I remember a promise I made to Him several months ago, when my little boy was afflicted with sores on his leg, two of which were very bad. I had others to help me pray for them several times, but they only grew worse. After they had been on him about four months, one day I felt impressed to testify through the Evangel of how the Lord had healed us so many times, and I said, "Lord if you will heal those sores I will know it is your will for me to write." So in just a few days they were perfectly well.

I can say this morning that I am a living witness to the great healing power of Jesus. Husband and I have been trusting Him for over thirteen years, and during this time He has healed us and our two children many times of different diseases, such as typhoid fever, smallpox, appendicitis, influenza, and many others. My little boy has had his arm broken twice, but we trusted our precious Savior, and He healed it.

I cannot begin to name the many victories He has given us in trusting Him for our healing, and I am glad to say He is just the same today.

I give Him all the praise for all He has done, for He is worthy.

Please pray that husband and I may be more like Jesus and fill our place in His great Church.—Mrs. Annie Edenfield.

PRAISE THE LORD FOR HOLINESS

COLUMBUS, Ga.—I want to praise God for saving me from a life of sin, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost and fire, with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues, as the spirit gave utterance. I received the Holy Ghost on the 4th day of November 1923 and He still abides; praise the Lord! I praise God for the deep determination I have in my heart to go all the way with Him and by His grace, I mean to stay humble down at the foot of the cross, where He can talk to my heart at any time. I praise Him for this high way of Holiness and for adding me to the grand old Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth, the one He purchased with His own blood. I praise God for His mighty healing power. He has healed me many times. Some times the devil tries us on every hand, but praise God we always come out with the victory.

We are passing through a dark cloud here in Columbus now, but the sun will come thru after awhile, and we will hear the shouts of joy. There are some faithful saints here at this place, and they sure do stand for the Church of God. I want all you saints who know the worth of prayer to pray that God will keep me low and humble at His feet. I am a young lady at the age of 18 years. I have many trials and tests, but God says His grace is sufficient. He has kept me so far under the blood.

I sure would appreciate it if some of the young people who belong to the Church of God would write me some encouraging letters as there isn't any young people here at this place. Pray for me that I will do what God will have me to do, and win souls for him.—Clara Lunsford, 3014 7th Ave., Columbus, Ga.

Be of One Mind

KANNAPOLIS, N. C.—I praise the dear Lord this afternoon for victory over the devil—thank God! We notice God wants His people to be knit together in love; we also notice in the early church that, "they had all things common." Acts 2:44, "and they were all with one accord." Acts 2:1. People, if they were with one accord and had all things common, and had love one for another, and prayed one for another—I say, we should too. God wants His children to be of the same mind, but it seems like the people want their own mind and own way. Some believe in one thing and some in another. Some will say they are a member of the Church of God and yet they will say that they hate someone. Some say I believe in paying tithes, but can't trust the Lord for the healing of my body. People, I want to say that what God wants one to do, He wants all to do. He said in His Word for all to do the same thing. Let's go on with the Lord and make it through; some will get their minds on some man or some preacher and they will worship them, but I say let's serve the Lord, for He is our guide.

Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, "We ought to obey God rather than man." Acts 5:29. Beloved, let's all obey God's Word and hold up the Church of God. The way for us to do this is to dwell together in unity and stand fast in the apostles doctrine. Pray for me.—H. G. Sheets.

Called Into Work

LAKE LAND, Fla.—About ten years ago was when I first heard holiness. I saw that it sure did fit the Bible, and I knew it was right. I was a member of the Freewill church, but when I saw the light on holiness I knew this was the way.

For a long time I sought the Lord, till it seemed there was no use for me to go to the altar any more, but I just came to the place that I didn't want to eat or drink until I received the Holy Ghost, so He then heard my cries and gave me the blessing. I feel that the Lord has called me to go out in the gospel work, but it seems impossible to me. I covet your prayers that God will open up the way that I may get in the center of His will, and obey.—A Sister in Lakeland, Fla.

Confesses His Calling

PITTSBURG, Pa.—I want to praise God for salvation that has saved me from a life of sin. Glory to God! I want to praise Him for filling me with the Holy Ghost and with the Bible evidence of speaking with tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. Thank God I have been saved about three years, and have a deep settled peace in my soul. Praise His holy name! I was in the Baptist church until I saw the light on holiness, and when I saw the light I came into the Church of God—glory to God!

I thank God for Brother Harry Jenkins from Oxford, Ala., who came here preaching and standing for the Church of God with Headquarters at Cleveland, Tenn., he started me reading the Evangel, Praise the Lord! I have been reading it ever since. It fills my heart with joy as I read the different testimonies of the saints and how God is pouring out His Spirit on all flesh. Praise His holy name!

I thank God for anointing me for the ministry, but I failed to make it known because I wanted to be sure, and by being disobedient after showing me three times He put an awful affliction on my throat so that water could not pass without forcing it down. I began to fast and pray for a week. I asked God to heal me and I would make it known that He had chosen me for the ministry. Beloved, it pays to obey God, I desire the prayers of the saints that I may be a man that God has called in these last days. Your brother in Christ for lost souls.—Garfield Byrd.

Signs From Heaven

ARMATHWAITE, Tenn.—I want to praise God because He is so good to me and for the love light that is aglow in my soul. We have closed a two weeks' meeting here with one saved, two sanctified and two received the Holy Ghost. Some one said God could not heal because He was so far up in glory, and that healing was a thing of the past, but, praise God, He is still in the business. The devil thought he had Armathwaite, but praise God, in spite of the devil he saved some anyway.

We had a glorious time the last night of the meeting, we observed the Lord's supper and washed the saints' feet. Sinners were made to quake when a great ball of fire fell from the skies, it almost hit the top of the church divided in two parts and went away. At another time, while the saints were praying at the altar a smoke was seen in the house. Dear ones God will show His power in some way. Jesus says in Luke 21:11 "And fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven." So we know it is God that sends such signs. In the 28th verse of the same chapter he also says, "When these things begin to

come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." Therefore I am looking for Him. Praise God!

I want to be faithful unto death, for He said if we would be faithful unto death He would give us a crown of life, praise God! I mean to work for Jesus and see that no one gets my crown. Please pray for God to continue to bless and bring many this way.—Annie M. Lindsey.

REPORTS

EUPORA, Miss.—I want to sound a note of praise this morning to God for ever owning and blessing up to this present time.

Yes, I am not really praising Him enough for saving this soul of mine. "Praise His precious name." Am glad that I can report that the church here at Fame, Miss. is still standing true. Pray for me. Your Sister—Mrs. M. E. Wright.

CARMI, Ill.—Lizzie Yates, reports a good meeting just closed at Carmi, which was conducted by the pastor, Bro. Milligan, assisted by Bro. Lawson, from Bridgeport, Ill. Good sound doctrine was given out to meet the people at the judgment bar of God. Five were saved, four sanctified and three received the Holy Ghost. The saints were edified, and encouraged.

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